Section 8 Contract Administrators

LOCCS-WEB Guide



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Chapter 1. Introduction to LOCCS-WEB

1.1 What is LOCCS-WEB?

The Line of Credit Control System (LOCCS) is the Departments primary disbursement and cash management system, and currently manages disbursements for the majority of HUD Programs. LOCCS automates many recipient payment decisions, and now will include Section 8 Contract Administrators (CA's). LOCCS provides cash management savings through the use of electronic funds transfer, and ensures payments are made in a timely manner, but not in excess of the recipients cash needs.

A LOCCS-WEB front end, allows authorized CA's, or representatives to access LOCCS through HUD's Secure Systems. Once LOCCS-WEB access has been authorized, the user is allowed to view a wide range of HAP contract level information regarding HUD contract payments to the CA, and/or HUD payments made directly to the HAP owner. LOCCS is the entry point for Contract Payment Requisition Schedules (HUD-52663), and Contract Year-End Settlement information. The goal of the LOCCS-WEB Section 8 Contract Administrator module is to provide an entry mechanism for these forms, and provide CA's access to their contract portfolio and related information.

1.2 LOCCS-WEB Roles

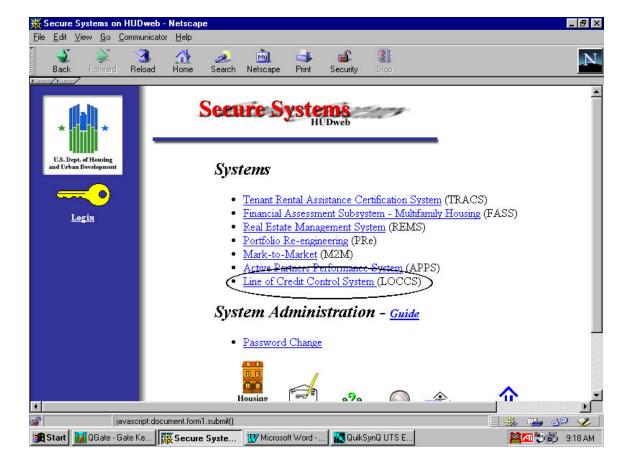
Secure Systems allows system level roles to be established, and the use of those roles are defined by each systems. LOCCS-WEB has defined 4 user-type roles. The following table defines the roles and their use in LOCCS-WEB.

LOCCS-WEB Roles						
Role Code	Description	Remarks				
QRY	Query	Query access allows viewing of <u>any</u> contract within the CA's portfolio.				
REQ	Entry of the Payment Requisition form (HUD-52663)	Allows entry of a HUD-52663 <u>only</u> on a contracts assigned to the user by the CA Coordinator.				
YES	Entry of Year-End Settlement	Allows entry of a Year-End settlement <u>only</u> on a contracts assigned to the user by the CA Coordinator.				
ADM	Administrator	Allows updating of e-mail addresses for LOCCS correspondence, and the requesting of e-mail reports. The Administrator role is a Wild Card entry for HUD-52663 and Year-End Settlements. The Administrator will be allowed to enter HUD-52663's and Year-End Settlement's for any contract in the LOCCS portfolio.				

Chapter 2. Accessing LOCCS-WEB

2.1 Secure Systems Main Menu

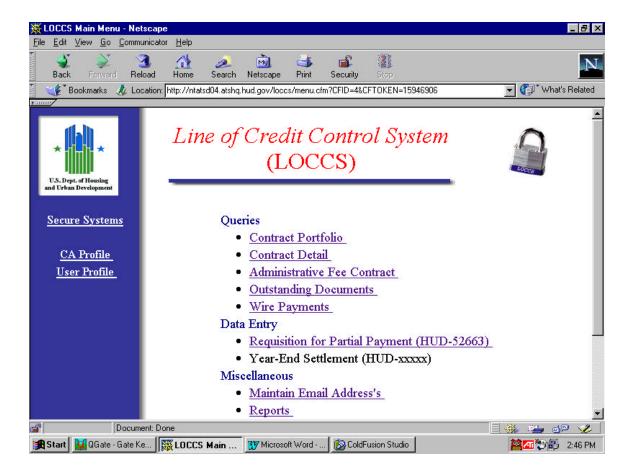
Assuming Secure Systems and LOCCS system access has been granted, the main menu of Secure Systems will have a Line of Credit Control System hyperlink. The screen below is similar to what will be displayed.



Clicking on the hyperlink will access the LOCCS main menu....

2.2 LOCCS-WEB Main Menu

The main menu will display options depending on the LOCCS roles assigned by the CA Coordinator.



On the left hand side of the menu are hyperlinks back to the Secure Systems menu and useful but less used LOCCS options. The main body of the menu contains frequently used hyperlinks. A Year-End Settlement hyperlink will be available in the near future.

2.3 CA Profile

From the main menu clicking CA Profile, displays Contract Administrator level information. Critical elements are the Fiscal Year End and ACC effective and expiration dates. The Fiscal Year End defines the ending date for each contract Budget Fiscal Year, of which the HUD-52663 and Year-End Settlement forms are aligned. The expiration date defines the last scheduled payment period LOCCS will pay against. Any scheduled payments beyond the expiration date will not be paid.

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2.4 Navigation

Each screen will have the same basic components;

- \Rightarrow a screen identifier in the upper left,
- ⇒ [Home][Log Off][Bottom] links in the upper right,
- ⇒ Main menu links at the bottom
- ⇒ and <u>HOME</u>, <u>Back to Top</u> and <u>Log Off</u> logos at the bottom

Home will always take you to the LOCCS-WEB main menu. Bottom will take you to the bottom of the current screen, and Back to Top, the top of the current screen. On many screens bottom and top are not needed, since everything fits, however they are very useful on screens which display many rows of information, and you would like to quickly get to the bottom for counts and totals.

The screen identifier in the upper left will be useful when you incur a problem or communicating a question to HUD Staff. This will specifically tell the person what screen you are looking at.

In addition to the Main menu links at the bottom, some screens also have customized links, and they will be noted when those screens are discussed.

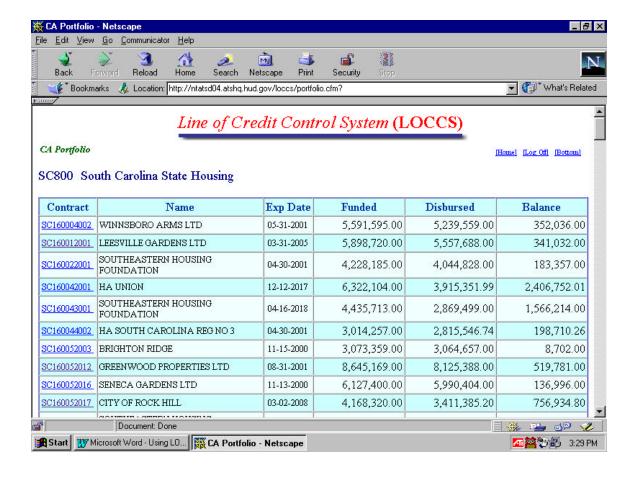
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2.5 User Profile

From the main menu clicking User Profile, displays your name and LOCCS roles assigned to you by the CA Coordinator.

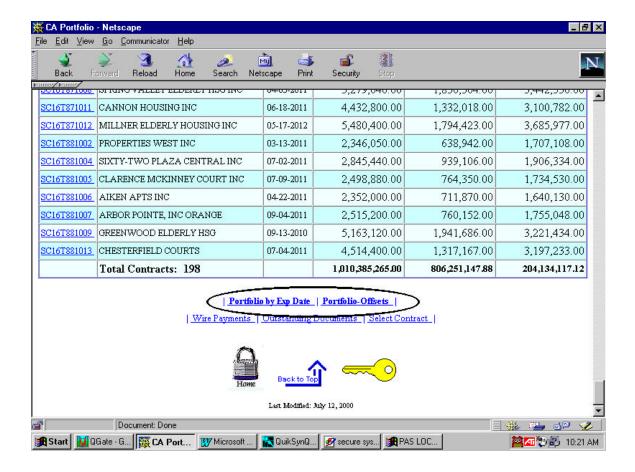
2.6 Contract Portfolio

From the main menu clicking Contract Portfolio, displays the entire HAP portfolio assigned to the CA, with contract expiration and funding information.



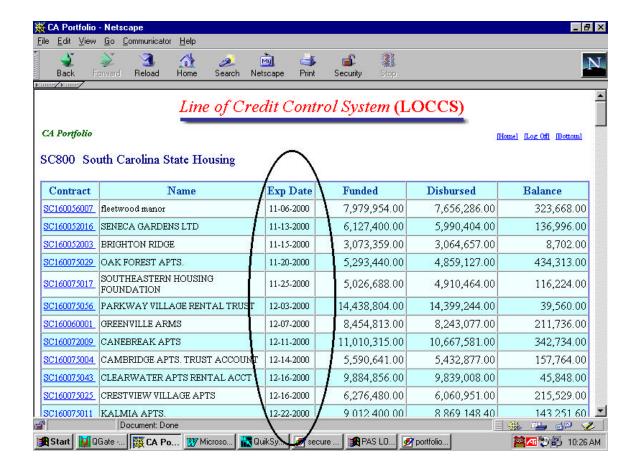
2.7 Contract Portfolio Bottom

At the bottom of the screen are portfolio totals and customized portfolio links to sort the portfolio in expiration date order, and to show those contracts in the portfolio which contain future payment offsets.



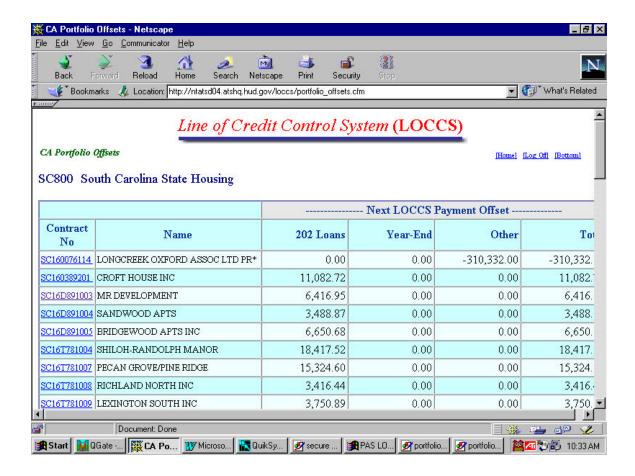
2.8 Contract Portfolio by Expiration Date

Clicking on Portfolio by Exp Date displays the portfolio sorted in earliest expiration date order. Any contracts which have already expired will have their expiration date displayed in red.



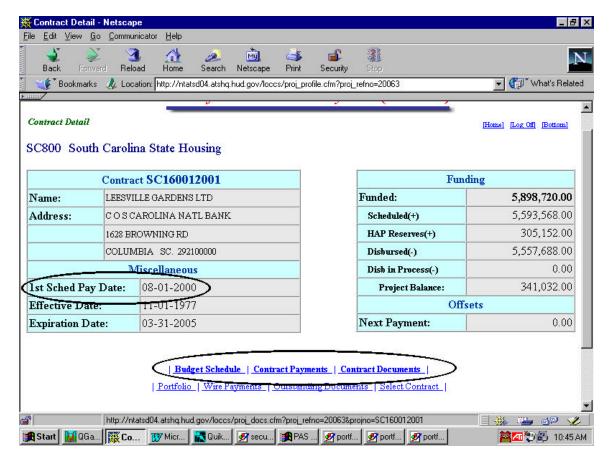
2.9 Portfolio Offsets

Clicking on Portfolio Offsets displays those contracts in the portfolio which have an outstanding LOCCS offset to be applied to the next payment. LOCCS tracks 202 loan offsets, Year-End settlement receivables to be collected by offset, and any manual offset entered by HUD.



2.10 Contract Detail

Clicking on any contract hyperlink on any of the portfolio screens will display the Contract Detail screen. The Contract Detail screen displays basic contract information including name, address of the property, effective/expiration dates of the contract and current funding.



1st Sched Pay Date

A critical element on the screen is 1st Sched Pay Date, which will initially be blank for all contracts. It will automatically be filled in by LOCCS when the Contract Administrator Oversight Manager (CAOM) approves the 1st HUD-52663 for the contract. At that time the date will automatically be filled in and sent to TRACS. TRACS will stop any payment request sent through SprintMail by the HAP owner with a period on or after the 1st scheduled payment date to the CA. If a HAP owner request is received by TRACS with a period prior to the 1st scheduled payment date to the CA, TRACS will forward the request to LOCCS and LOCCS will make payment directly to the HAP owner. Likewise, all payments will be sent by TRACS from the HAP owner to LOCCS until the 1st HUD-52663 is approved by the CAOM, and LOCCS will continue to pay the HAP owner directly. This will provide uninterrupted payment to the HAP owner, in the event the CA is having problems getting everything together to take over full administration of the HAP contract.

This transition period is prime for potential double payment to the HAP owner. As part of the approval process, the CAOM will be notified there is a HAP payment already made or about to be made for the same period scheduled on the HUD-52663. The CAOM will make a decision to either cancel the TRACS HAP payment request and approve the HUD-52663, or the CAOM may decide to have the already received TRACS payment be paid directly to the HAP owner, and return the HUD-52663 to the CA for revision.

Funding definitions:

Funded: The total Budget Authority committed by HUD for the term of the contract LOCCS will not make payment beyond the Budget Authority balance.

Scheduled: The total disbursed to date by the project at the time of assignment to the CA plus the LOCCS calculated estimated payment needs of the contract until the expiration year of the contract. The estimate annual needs are based upon the last 12 months of disbursements made to the HAP owner at time of conversion to the CA.

HAP Reserves: Excess funds based on what was budgeted versus actually needed, which may be used to cover future budget years where the LOCCS estimate is low. This will allow a cushion for future rent increases or other unanticipated costs.

Disbursed: Funds disbursed against the contract, either to the HAP owner directly, or the CA.

Disbursed in Process: Generally should always be zero.

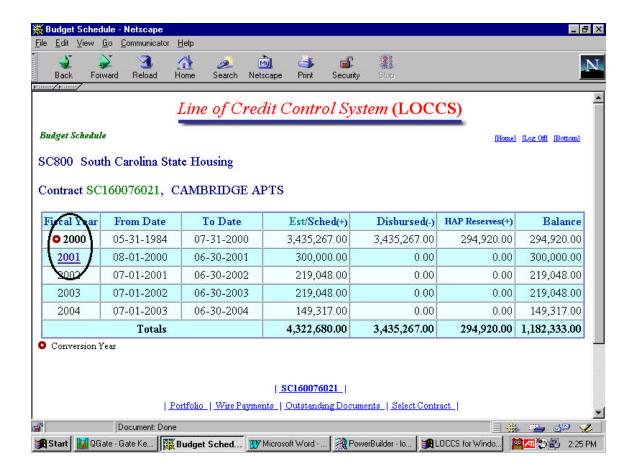
Balance: Remaining undisbursed Budget Authority.

Special Links:

The Budget Schedule, Contract Payments and Contract Documents screens can only be accessed through Contract Detail, which serves as a logical anchor point for this information.

2.11 Budget Schedule

Clicking on the Budget Schedule link displays the Budget Schedule screen.



The Budget Schedule screen displays the budget years of the contract and the prorated budget estimate calculated by LOCCS at the time of CA conversion. Again the per year estimate is based on the last 12 months of disbursements on the project. It is purely an estimate that if insufficient, LOCCS will automatically self adjust the scheduled amount to what is approved by the CAOM from the HUD-52663. This process will use any HAP reserve funds first, and once that is exhausted, borrow estimated scheduled funds from future years. This process assumes that Housing analysis will see a shortfall in funding prior to those funds actually being needed in future years.

A circle next to the first funding year represents a conversion year where all disbursements and funding is rolled up into a single year.

Although not on the screen, a diamond will be displayed next to a budget year once the CAOM has approved a Year-End settlement submitted by the CA. Both a circle and a diamond represent a closed year where no more scheduled payments (HUD-52663) adjustments may be made.

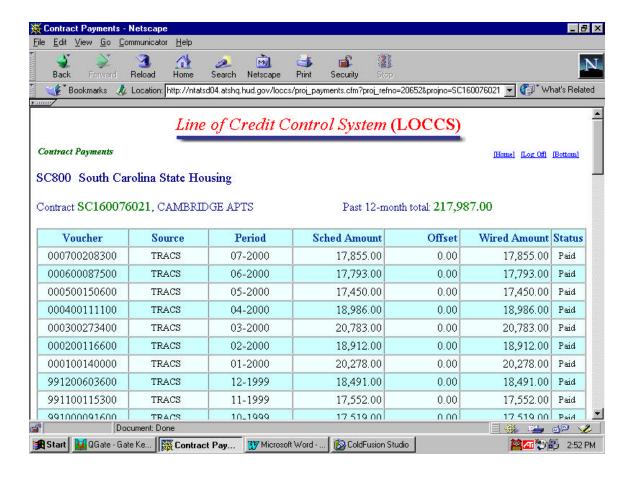
Once a CAOM approves a HUD-52663 for a budget fiscal year, the year will be an underlined hyperlink, taking you to a Budget Year Payment Schedule detail screen.

A the bottom of the screen is a customized hyperlink with the contract number. This will be a quick link back to the Contract Detail Screen. This customized link will be on all the subsidiary detail screens from the Contract Detail anchor screen.

2.12 Contract Payments

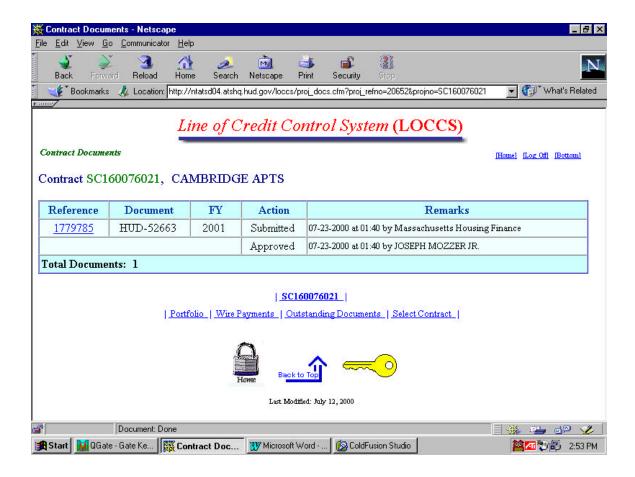
Clicking on the Contract Payments link at the bottom of the Contract Detail screen displays the Contract Payments screen. It provides payment level information with the most recent payments first. CA scheduled payments will have a LOCCS generated voucher number beginning with 'CA' followed by a 10 digit payment reference number, and the Source column will have HUD-52263. The Scheduled Amount represents what was actually scheduled from the HUD-52663 or requested through TRACS. The offset indicates any LOCCS offset applied to the scheduled amount, and wired balance represents the amount (if any) wired for payment.

A future (next release...don't ask when) will have a hyperlink on the voucher number to display more detail voucher information.



2.13 Contract Documents

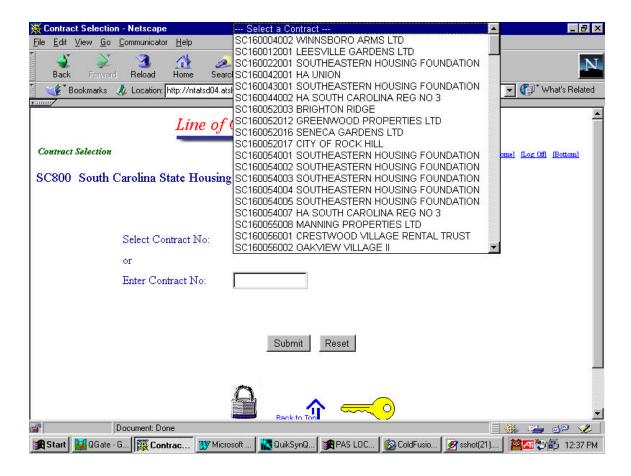
Clicking on the Contract Documents link at the bottom of the Contract Detail screen displays any submitted Contract Documents and their status. Currently only the HUD-52663 is tracked, but in the future the submitted Year-End settlement for the contract will also be tracked. The documents are displayed in most recently submitted document order.



If there is a hyperlink under the CAOM action text, it represents a reason or comment entered by the CAOM. Clicking on the hyperlink will display those comments.

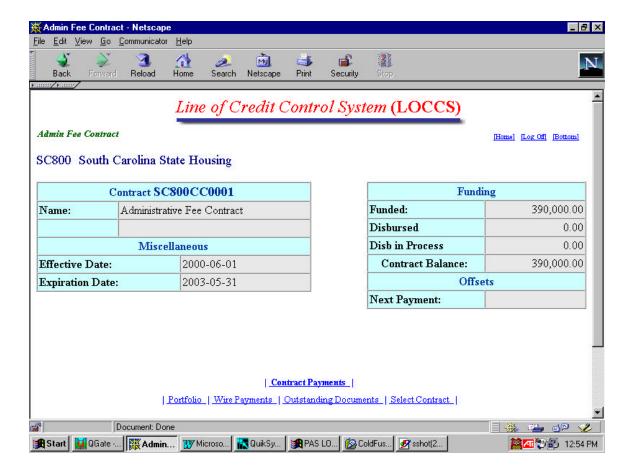
2.14 Contract Selection

From the main menu clicking Contract Detail, displays a Contract Selection screen, from which a contract may be chosen from the dropdown or manually entered. Clicking the submit will take you to the Contract Detail screen previously discussed.



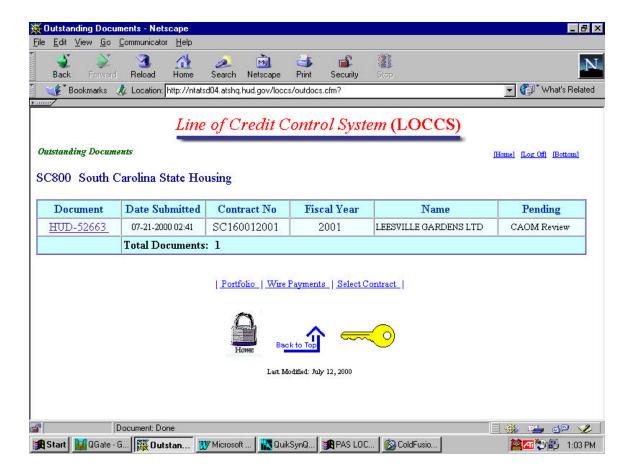
2.15 Administrative Fee Contract

From the main menu clicking Administrative Fee Contract, displays the Administrative Fee Contract established for administrative fee payments. Any admin fee payments made against this contract may be viewed clicking on the Contract Payments hyperlink at the bottom of the screen.



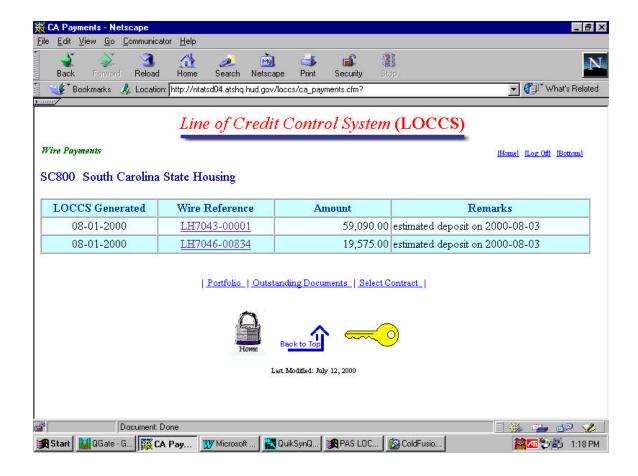
2.16 Outstanding Documents

From the main menu clicking Outstanding Documents, displays any Outstanding Documents requiring action by the CAOM or the CA. The only time a document would appear requiring action by the CA would be if the CAOM disapproves a document with CA modifications. Clicking on the document hyperlink allows Query only viewing of the document.



2.17 Wire Payments

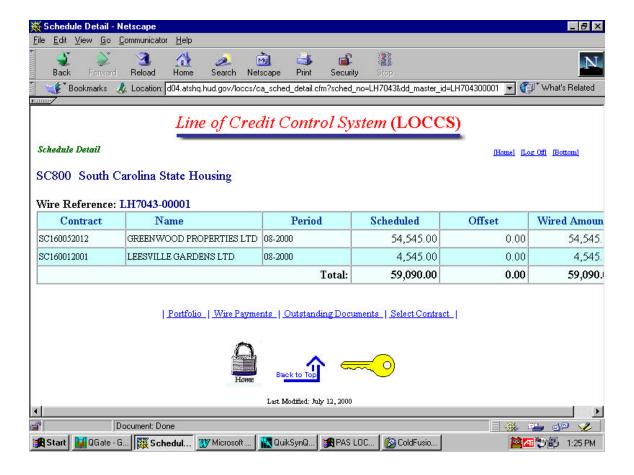
From the main menu clicking Wire Payments, displays any Payments made by LOCCS to the CA. All HAP payments will be rolled up into a single wire transfer for any scheduled payment date. Administrative fee payments will be a separate wire transfer, even if the same bank and account are used on the 1199 Direct Deposit form. The remarks indicate an anticipated account deposit date. Once the schedule has been confirmed by Treasury an actual deposit date will be displayed. It should be noted this is a Treasury aggregate "schedule" deposit date and does not guarantee every individual wire transfer on a schedule was successful.



Clicking on the wire reference link displays detail contract/admin fee payment information.

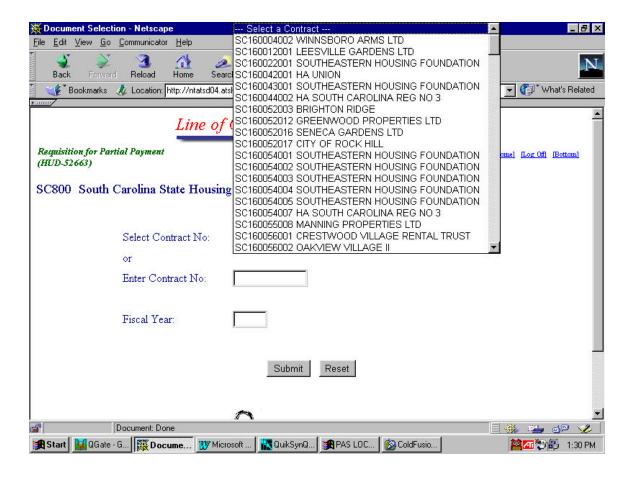
2.18 Schedule Detail

Clicking on the wire reference link from the Wire Payment screen displays schedule detail payment information.



2.19 Requisition for Partial Payment (HUD-52663) Selection

From the main menu clicking on HUD-52663 displays a HUD-52663 Contract entry screen. Either select a contract from the dropdown or manually enter a contract number and fiscal year. A HUD-52663 may not be entered for any closed fiscal year, or more than 90 days prior to the beginning of the fiscal year.



2.20 Requisition for Partial Payment (HUD-52663) New Entry

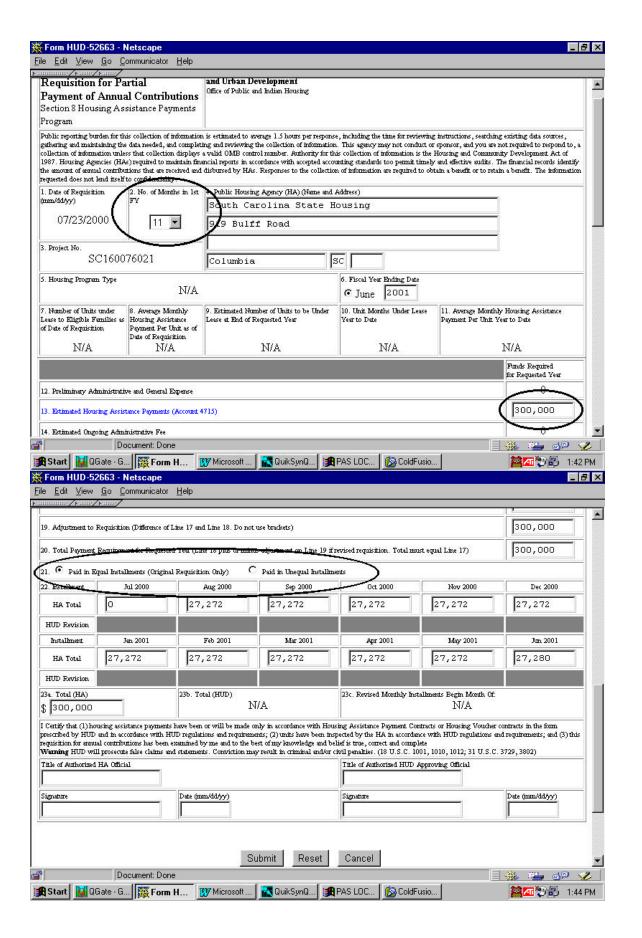
For the 1st contract schedule requisition, LOCCS will calculate the number of months remaining in the 1st fiscal year and pre-fill the dropdown selection in box 2. Name/Address/Contract Number and Fiscal Year End are all pre-filled by LOCCS and cannot be changed. The number of months remaining in the 1st fiscal year that you would like to build a payment schedule against may be changed. This would be an instance where a HAP TRACS payment has already been submitted, and you want the payment schedule to begin a month later.

Line 13 is the only box requiring entry. Line 21 Paid in equal installments is the default selection on the 1st HUD-52663 for each fiscal year, and LOCCS will automatically evenly spread the amount entered in line 13 with the number of months selected in box 2. Payments are in whole dollars with any rounding adjustments made to the last month. If for some reason a non-even spread is necessary, click the Paid in Unequal Installments radio button, and the monthly installment boxes in line 22 are unprotected. Manual monthly amounts may then be entered.

Once the form is complete, click on the submit button for processing. The form will not be processed if line 13 does not equal line 23a which is automatically calculated from the sum of the entered monthly amounts in line 22. This would only occur if manual unequal payments were entered and your math or typing is not quite as good as the computers.

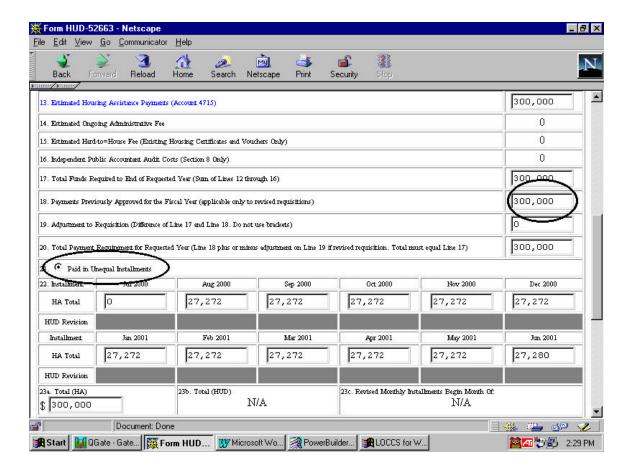
Once submitted the document will be waiting CAOM review. The status of the document may be viewed from the Outstanding Documents query from the main menu, and the Contract Documents query from the Contract Detail screen.

If you need to adjust or pull back the HUD-52663, simply reenter the contract and fiscal year from the HUD-52663 entry screen. LOCCS will detect a pending document and return that information. You may adjust the document and resubmit, or Delete the pending document with the Delete Document button at the bottom of the screen.



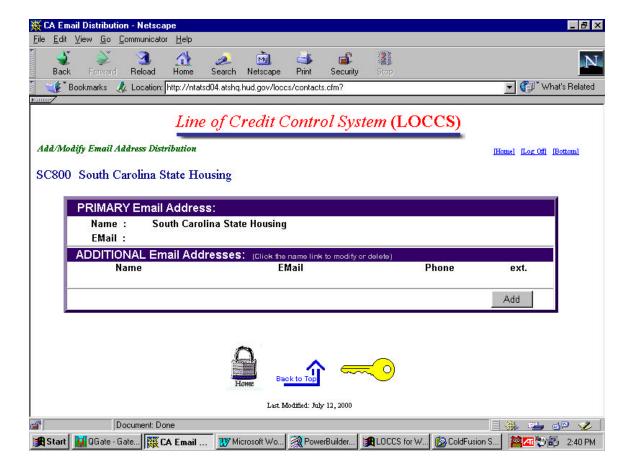
2.21 Requisition for Partial Payment (HUD-52663) Revised

Bringing up an already approved schedule will result in LOCCS pre-filling line 18 and the Paid in unequal installments radio button is the only option. If LOCCS has paid any of the scheduled months, they will be in red and protected from modification. Changes may only be made to unpaid months on the schedule.



2.22 Add/Modify Email Addresses Primary

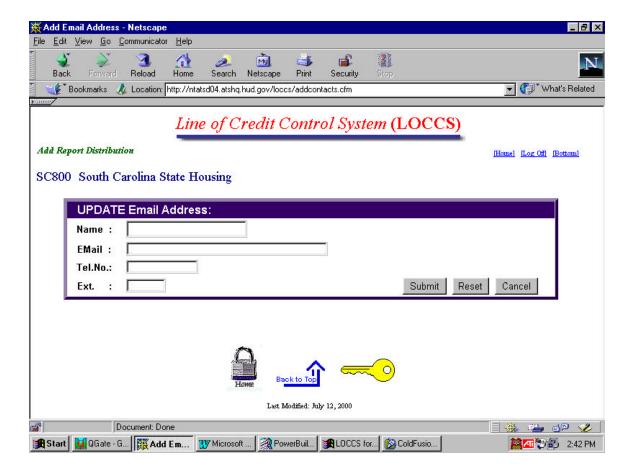
Clicking Add/Modify Email Addresses from the main menu displays the Email Add/Modify screen. The Primary Email address will be maintained in the AREMS system and provided to LOCCS. Since LOCCS will produce reports for email distribution, additional email addresses may be maintained. LOCCS will send all email activity to ALL the addresses maintained in LOCCS-WEB.



Click the Add button to add additional email addresses.

2.23 Add/Modify Email Addresses Detail

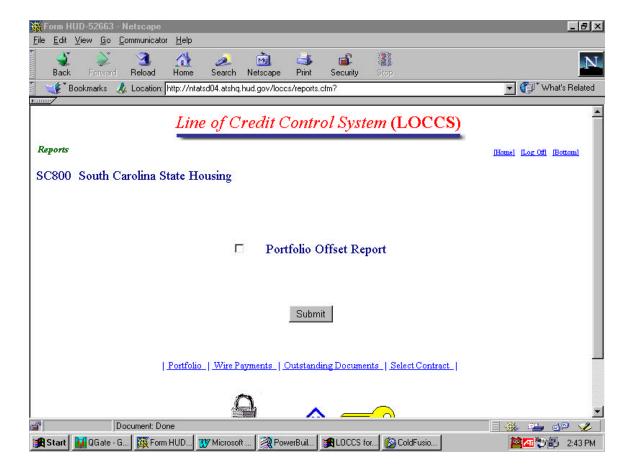
Clicking the Add button displays detail email entry screen. Enter the required information and click on the Submit button. Minimally, Name and Email are required entries on this screen.



2.24 Reports

Clicking Reports from the main menu displays the Report selection menu. Clicking the check box will scheduled the selected report to run in a LOCCS overnight process, and be sent to the addresses maintained in the Email report distribution list. At the moment there is only one report selection which is the Offset report, however we anticipate more reports to be added once CA's use LOCCS-WEB and request information in hardcopy.

There will also be an automatic email sent every time a payment is made to the CA, detailing the contracts making up the wire transfer, similar to the Schedule Detail WEB screen.



2.25 Email Offset Report

Email messages through the internet will lose some of the formatting shown below. The columns will not line up perfectly, however it should still be very readable.

To: Christopher B. Davies/ADMIN/HHQ/HUD@HUD

cc: Kenneth A. Birrell/ADMIN/HHQ/HUD@HUD, Yavor Iliev/PIH/HHQ/HUD@HUD, Steve

Hollar/ADMIN/HHQ/HUD@HUD, Kathy Danner/ADMIN/HHQ/HUD@HUD, John C.

Husdale/ADMIN/HHQ/HUD@HUD

Subject: CA PORTFOLIO OFFSETS

Source: HUD-LOCCS

Report: CA Portfolio Offsets

As Of: 07-14-2000

SD800 South Dakota Housing Development Auth

Contract No	202 Loans	Year-End	Other	Total
SD990991201	2,511.34	0.00	0.00	2,511.34
SD99T781002	3,007.88	0.00	0.00	3,007.88
SD99T781003	14,741.25	0.00	0.00	14,741.25
SD99T810001	3,172.92	0.00	0.00	3,172.92
SD99T824002	2,799.73	0.00	0.00	2,799.73
SD99T824004	12,471.09	0.00	0.00	12,471.09
SD99T834004	5,221.52	0.00	0.00	5,221.52
SD99T844001	6,147.38	0.00	0.00	6,147.38
SD99T844002	2,565.69	0.00	0.00	2,565.69
SD99T844007	5,763.91	0.00	0.00	5,763.91
SD99T844010	1,642.99	0.00	0.00	1,642.99
SD99T884001	6,366.96	0.00	0.00	6,366.96
TOTALS	66,412.66	0.00	0.00	66,412.66

Total Projects: 12